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Eucharistical Office
For the Devout and Profitable Receiving of the
SACRAMENT
OF THE
Body and Blood
OF
CHRIST.

Collected from the
Holy Scriptures, and the
Liturgies of the CHURCH.

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acknowledge thee.* Te Deum.

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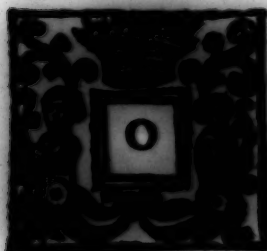
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HOLY SACRAMENT, &c.

¶ *Preparatory Devotions before the Offertory begins.*



THOU that hearest the prayer,
unto thee shall all flesh come.
My misdeeds prevail against me :
O be thou merciful unto our
sins. *Pf. lxxv. 2, 3.*

Thou shalt open my lips, O
Lord ; and my mouth shall shew thy praise.
Pf. li. 15.

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God, in
the midst of thy temple. *Pf. xlviii. 8.*

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Hear

Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee; when I hold up my hands towards the mercy-seat of thy holy temple. *Pf. xxviii. 2.*

O our Lord and God restrain our thoughts, that they wander not upon the vanities of this world. *(d)*

Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and let thine ears be attent unto the prayer that is made in this place. *2 Chron. vi. 40.*

And mercifully accept this our bounden duty and service, this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving (C. P.) we are about to offer up to thy divine majesty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ If you have Time before the Offertory begins, or else at the Pause between the Reading of the Sentences, say the following Eucharistical Prayer.

MOST merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, having in remembrance the passion of thy dear Son, his death, and resurrection from the Dead, his return into heaven, and his future second appearance, when he shall come with glory and power to judge the quick and the dead, and to render to every man according to his works; — We give thanks unto thee, O God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able, and fulfil his institution. — We beseech thee that thou wilt look graciously on the gifts now lying before thee, O thou self-sufficient God; and accept them to the honour of thy Christ: and send down thy holy spirit, the witness of the sufferings of
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of the Lord Jesus, on this sacrifice, that he may make the bread the body of thy Christ, and the cup the blood of thy Christ: that all who partake of it may be confirmed in godliness; may receive remission of their sins; may be delivered from the devil and his wiles; may be filled with the Holy Ghost; may be worthy of thy Christ, and may obtain everlasting life; thou, O Lord Almighty, being reconciled to them, *through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (a)*

¶ At the Offertory.

REceive, O God, unto thy holy heaven — the eucharistical praises of those that offer sacrifices and oblations to thee; of those who would offer much or little, privately or openly, but have it not to offer; of those who have this day brought their offerings. Receive them as thou didst the gifts of thy righteous *Abel*, the sacrifice of our father *Abraham*, the incense of *Zacharias*, the alms of *Cornelius*, and the *Widow's* mites. Receive their offerings of praise and thanksgiving, and for their earthly things give them heavenly, for their temporal, eternal, *through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (c)*

¶ At the Breaking of the Bread, say;

THE Lamb of God, the Son of the Father is broken and divided; he is divided, but not diminished; he is always eaten, but not consumed; but sanctifies all who are partakers of him. *(f)*

¶ As soon as the Consecration Prayer is ended, say aloud,

Amen.

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¶ *And then privately,*

WE shew forth thy death, O Lord ; we believe thy holy resurrection, thy ascension, and second coming. We beseech thee, O Lord our God to *strengthen our faith* : We believe this to be true. (e)

¶ *Before the Elements are distributed :*

Draw near, O Lord Jesu Christ, our God, from the habitation of thy dwelling, and the throne of glory in thy kingdom, and come and sanctify us : O thou who sittest on high at the right hand of the Father, and at the same time art invisibly present with us here below. (f)

O holy Lord who dwellest in the seat of holiness, sanctify us by the word of thy grace, and the descent of thy holy spirit. (b)

And vouchsafe to impart to us thine immaculate body, and most precious blood, for the remission of sins, and life everlasting. (f. g.)

¶ *Or this,*

O God who art great ; great in name and counsel ; powerful in thy works ; the God and Father of thy Holy Son Jesus our Saviour, look upon *the* flock which thou hast chosen through him to the glory of thy name ; sanctify us in body and soul ; and grant that we being purified from all filthiness of flesh and spirit, may partake of the mystick blessings now lying before thee, and judge none of us unworthy of them ; but be thou our supporter, our helper, and defender, through thy Christ, with whom, glory, honour, laud, praise, thanksgiving, be to thee and the Holy Ghost for ever. Amen. (a)

¶ *Ime*

¶ Immediately before you receive, say,
O Lord our God, the bread that came down from heaven is the life of the world. I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am not worthy to partake of the immaculate mysteries : but, O merciful God, *forgive thou mine offences,* and make me worthy by thy grace, that I may receive thy holy body and precious blood, not to my condemnation, but for the remission of my sins and eternal life ; (*b*)

And grant, O Lord, that I may boldly, and without blame, presume to call upon thee our God and heavenly Father, saying,

Our Father which art in heaven, &c. (*f*)

¶ When the Priest approacheth with the Bread ;
Thou hast said, He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life : *be it unto the Servant of the Lord according to thy Word.* Joh. vi. 54.

¶ After receiving the Bread ;
THis hath touched my lips, and shall take away mine iniquities, and shall purge me from my sins. *If. vi. 7.* (*f*)

I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed to keep thy righteous judgments. *Pf. cxix. 106.*

¶ When the Minister approacheth with the Cup ;
WHat reward shall I give unto the Lord, for all the benefits that he hath done unto me ? I will take the Cup of Salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. *Pf. cxvi. 11, 12.*

¶ After receiving the Cup, say,
 Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in Peace, &c. *Luke ii. 29—32.* Glory

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ *When you are returned to your Pew, use these following Acts of Praise;*

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he hath visited and redeemed his people; and hath granted, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life. *Luke i. 68, 74, 75. (b)*

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all: How shall he not, with him, also freely give us all things? Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth: who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather that is risen again; who is even at the right hand of God; who also maketh intercession for us. *Rom. viii. 31—34. (b)*

But of God are we in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: that according as it is written, He that glorieth let him glory in the Lord. *I Cor. i. 30, 31. (b)*

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ *Afterwards what follows, if you have time.*

Jesus said, He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day: for my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth

eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. *Job. vi. 54, 55, 56.*

For this cause, I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named ; that he would grant *us* according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might, by his spirit in the inner man ; that Christ may dwell in *our* hearts by faith ; that *we* being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height ; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge ; that *we* might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us ; unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen. *Eph. iii. 14, &c.*

¶ Then may be said ;

MAY the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the father of glory, give unto *us* the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him : the eyes of *our* understanding being enlightened ; that *we* may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints ; and what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come ;
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and hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head, over all things, to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. *Eph. i. 17, &c.*

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ The remaining Time, whilst others are Communicating, cannot be more properly spent than in shewing our Charity, by interceding for Christ's Church, &c.

Remember, O Lord, all orthodox bishops, rightly dividing the word of truth. ——— Remember, O Lord, all presbyters and deacons in Christ, ——— and put not those to dishonour who officiate at thy holy altar. Look upon us in thy loving kindness, and manifest thy self to us, O Lord, in thine abundant mercies. ——— Heal the schisms in thy church : abate the rage of *its enemies* ; and put a stop to growing heresies by the power of thine holy spirit. Receive us all into thy kingdom, and make us the children of light. Grant us, O Lord our God, thy peace and love, for it is thou who bestowest all things upon us : and grant that we may, with one mouth and heart, praise and glorify thy great and glorious name, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, now, henceforth, and for evermore. Amen. (g)

M*OST merciful Father*, unite all us who partake of this one bread and one cup, in the communion of one holy spirit ; and suffer none of us to partake of the holy body and blood of thy Christ to our judgment and condemnation ; but that we may find mercy and grace, with all thy

thy saints who have pleased thee from the beginning of the world, our fore-fathers, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, preachers, evangelists, martyrs, confessors, teachers, and every just soul departed in the faith ; (g)

Beseeching thee, that it may please thee of thy gracious goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom ; that we, with all those that are departed in the true faith of thy holy name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (C. P.)

WE commend unto thy mercy, O Lord, all our enemies ; all who hate us ; and all who imagine evil against us : we commend them to thee, not for judgment and vengeance, but for pity, and salvation, and the remission of their sins ; because thou willest that all should be converted to the knowledge of thy truth and live : for thou hast taught us by *both the precept and example* of thy beloved son Jesus Christ our Lord, that we should pray for our enemies, for those that hate us, and those that despitefully use us, and persecute us. (d)

Have mercy upon all jews, turks, infidels, and hereticks, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word ; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God world without end. Amen. (C. P.)

§ *Incitements to an holy and christian Life, proper for our Meditation at this time.*

K Now ye not that ye are the temple of God ; and that the spirit of God dwelleth in you ? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy : for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are. *1 Cor. iii. 16, 17. (b)*

Ye are bought with a price ; therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit which are God's. *1 Cor. vi. 20. (b)*

Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children ; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us ; and hath given himself for us as an offering, and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. *Eph. v. 1, 2. (b)*

The night is far spent, the day is at hand ; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. *Rom. xiii. 12. (b)*

Jefus said, Behold thou art made whole : sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee. *Joh. v. 14. (b)*

If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed : and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. *Joh. viii. 31, 32. (b)*

While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. *Joh. xii. 36. (b)*

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me ; and he that loveth me, shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest my self to him. *Joh. xiv. 21. (b)*

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you. *Joh. xv. 7. (b)* If

If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. *Matt. xvi. 24.* (*b*)

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth : for the Father seeketh such to worship him. *Job. iv. 23.* (*b*)

He that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. *Matt. xxiv. 13.* (*b*)

Blessed is that servant whom his lord, when he cometh, shall find so doing. But the lord of that servant *who is negligent and wicked* will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not ware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. *Luk. xii. 43, &c.* (*b*)

Note, The preceeding Variety of Devotions after the Receiving of the Holy Elements, is put here, that you may employ your time devoutly and profitably, when there are large Numbers of Communicants to receive after you. When the Congregation is small, your own Discretion must tell you which are most proper to be used, and which omitted ; for no private Devotions should exclude the publick, or take you up, when you are to join in the Prayers of the Church. If you should want still larger Forms : Before receiving, it will not be improper to use some of the Penitential Psalms, viz. 6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 143. and, after receiving, some of the following Psalms, viz.

Pf. 37. Of Patience and Confidence in God. (*a*)

Pf. 23.

Pf. 23. Expressing our Confidence in God's Grace and Goodness. (b)

Pf. 117 and 145. That God is to be praised for his Fame, his Goodness, his Power, and his Providence. (b)

Pf. 34. Of the Praises of God, and the Privileges of the Righteous. (b)

To these may be added,

Pf. 103, 111, 138. Of God's Praises.

¶ After the Communion is ended, and the Blessing given by the Priest, say privately,

O Lord God of Hosts, hear our prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob. *Pf. lxxxiv. 8.*

The good Lord pardon every one that prepareth his heart to seek God, the Lord God of his fathers, though he be not cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary. *2 Chron. xxx. 18, 19.*

We give thanks to thee, O Christ our God, that thou hast vouchsafed to make us partakers of thy body and blood, for the remission of our sins, and for eternal life. Keep us, we beseech thee, without blame, according to thy great goodness and love of mankind. *(b)*

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen. *1 Tim. i. 17.*

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The HOLY BIBLE.

THE *Clementine* Liturgy (*a*).

The Liturgy of St. *James*, used by the Primitive Christians in the Church of *Jerusalem* (*b*).

The Liturgy of St. *Mark*, used anciently in the Church of *Alexandria* (*c*).

The Liturgy of *Nestorius* (*d*).

The *Ethiopick* Liturgy (*e*).

The Liturgy of St. *Chrysostom*, used in the Churches dependent on the Patriarch of *Constantinople* (*f*).

The Liturgy of St. *Basil*, which is sometimes used in the *Constantinopolitan* Church (*g*).

The Communion Office in the Liturgy of the Church of *England*, compiled in the second Year of King *Edward VI. A.D. 1548* (*h*).

The present Liturgy, or *Common Prayer* of the Church of *England* (*C. P.*).

